



Report to the Auburn City Council

Action Item

Agenda Item No. 13

City Manager's Approval

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members
From: Robert Richardson
Prepared By: Anne M. Cooley, Deputy/Assistant City Clerk
Date: August 10, 2009
Subject: Attendance at the League of California Cities Annual Conference and Selection of a Voting Delegate

The Issue

Shall the City Council select, by Resolution, a voting delegate, and up to two alternative voting delegates, to the League of California Cities Annual Conference?

Conclusions and Recommendation

Staff recommends that City Council, by **RESOLUTION**, select a member of the City Council to be its voting delegate, and up to two alternate voting delegates, at the 2009 League of California Cities Annual Conference.

Background

The League of California Cities will hold its Annual Conference at the San Jose Convention Center from September 16 through 18, 2009. These conferences bring together municipal leaders from around the State to vote on a variety of important issues that will guide the League's efforts for the coming year. Additionally, the conference also facilitates a broad range of educational opportunities through its many forums, providing participants exposure to cutting-edge issues and upcoming trends to assist the City in maintaining and enhancing its service delivery.

Under the League's bylaws, a city's voting delegate, and its alternates, must be designated by the City Council and must be in attendance at the conference to vote.

Fiscal Impact

The full Conference cost for City Officials and staff is \$500.00 per person. Payment must be made prior to August 25, 2009 or attendees must register onsite. Conference hotels range from \$149 to 179 per night.

SEPTEMBER 16-18, 2009



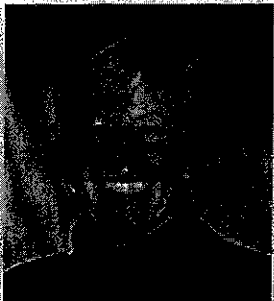
REGISTRATION AND
HOUSING DEADLINE:
TUESDAY, AUGUST 25, 2009

2009
ANNUAL
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& EXPO
SAN JOSE
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A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT / MAYOR'S WELCOME

A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT



JUDY MITCHELL

I have been proud to represent the League and California cities this year. We worked together, as local officials, city departments, and League staff, to keep local governments strong and ensure that our messages are heard.

It's been a challenging year for California's 480 cities and our state. The weakened economy has required almost all of our cities to make tough choices. During this difficult time, we've seen that working together through the League is crucial to our efforts to protect our local funds, foster local economic development, and protect the ability of our cities to make our own decisions about local needs and priorities.

Working through the League, cities were able to emerge from the very difficult December-February state budget process with their revenues largely intact. We led the way in producing timely, comprehensive information on how our cities could access the federal stimulus funds we need for housing, transportation, public safety, the environment, energy assistance and broadband access. Funding from the 2006 Infrastructure Bonds is generating local jobs and rebuilding our local streets and roads. California cities are taking the lead on climate change and implementing strategies to reduce their greenhouse gas emissions and promote efficiency. We are working on water issues that are crucial to the well being of our state. We have also been active on coastal issues. Protecting local land use authority and retaining local revenues for local services remain top priorities.

Our hard work and success at the local level continues to enhance our communities and we need your involvement to preserve our "Strong Cities - Strong State - Strong Nation." In these tight economic times, please make the sometimes difficult but valuable decision to join us at the Annual Conference. It will benefit each of you personally; it will enhance your city, and will contribute to the future of California.

Judy Mitchell, President, League of California Cities
Mayor, City of Rolling Hills Estates

MAYOR'S WELCOME

Dear Friends,

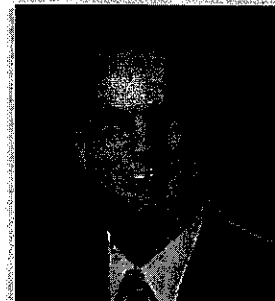
As Mayor of the City of San Jose, it is my privilege to welcome our distinguished guests to the San Jose McEnery Convention Center for the League of California Cities Annual Conference & Expo.

The theme of this year's conference, "Strong Cities, Strong State, Strong Nation," reflects how closely our state and national interests are impacted by the collective vitality of our cities. I look forward to joining together to help address mutual concerns within our communities while working towards a more vibrant future.

My appreciation goes out to the League of California Cities for their continued work in supporting local efforts and ensuring government accountability on the state and federal level. I hope that everyone has a pleasant and productive experience in San Jose.

Sincerely,

Chuck Reed
Mayor, City of San Jose



CHUCK REED



SAN JOSE - SKYLINE

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS as of April 2009 (subject to change)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

- 9:00 a.m. Registration and CityBooks open at Convention Center
- 9:00–10:30 a.m. Thursday policy committees (adjacent hotel TBD)
- 11:00–12:30 p.m. Friday policy committees (adjacent hotel TBD)
- 12:30–1:30 p.m. First Time Attendee Orientation
- 2:00–3:30 p.m. Concurrent Sessions
- 4:00–6:00 p.m. Opening General Session—Annual Report and Keynote Address
- 6:00–7:30 p.m. San Jose Host City Reception at Tech Museum
(Please do not schedule any competing events at this time)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

- 7:30 a.m. Registration and CityBooks Open at Convention Center
- 7:45–9:00 a.m. Department Meetings (conference registration required)
- 9:30–10:45 a.m. General Session Keynote Address
- 11:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. Expo Open
- 11:15 a.m.–12:45 p.m. Institute for Local Government Luncheon Symposium (additional fee)
- 11:30 a.m.–12:45 p.m. Lunch on Expo Floor
- 1:00–2:30 p.m. Concurrent Sessions
- 3:00–5:00 p.m. Concurrent Sessions
- 4:00–5:30 p.m. General Resolutions Committee
- Evening CitiPAC, League Partner and Caucus Events.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

- 7:30 a.m. Registration and CityBooks Open
- 7:30–8:45 a.m. Regional Networking Breakfasts as offered
(Contact your Regional Rep—additional fee may apply)
- 8:15–9:30 a.m. Board of Directors and Partners Recognition Breakfast
- 9:30–11:00 a.m. Board of Directors Meeting
- 9:00–10:30 a.m. Concurrent Sessions
- 10:15 a.m.–1:45 p.m. Expo Open
- 11:00 a.m.–12:15 p.m. Concurrent Sessions
- 12:15–1:30 p.m. Expo Lunch-around
- 1:30–2:45 p.m. Concurrent Sessions
- 3:15–6:00 p.m. Closing General Session
Keynote Address, Installation of New Board and Officers
Concluding Annual Business Meeting—General Assembly
(voting delegates required to register and stay until conclusion)

CONFERENCE RESOLUTIONS PROCESS

HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN THE LEAGUE'S ANNUAL CONFERENCE RESOLUTIONS PROCESS

Policy development is a key part of the League's legislative effectiveness. The League's Annual Conference Resolutions process is one way that city officials can directly participate in the development of League policy. The 2009 Annual Conference Resolution Calendar of Events identifies the key points in the process.

Submission of Resolutions

Any elected or appointed city official, individual city, division, department, policy committee, or the board of directors may submit a resolution for consideration at the conference. Resolutions must be submitted to the League's Sacramento office no later than 60 days prior to the opening of the conference. Resolutions should focus on direct municipal issues of statewide importance.

Consideration at the Conference

The League President refers the resolutions to the League policy committees for review and recommendation at the Conference.

Resolutions are next considered by the General Resolutions Committee (GRC), which consists of representatives from each division, department, policy committee and individuals appointed by the League President. Resolutions that are approved by the GRC, and resolutions that are approved by the policy committees, but not approved by the GRC, are next considered by the General Assembly. Resolutions approved by the General Assembly become League policy. Other action on resolutions can be: refer back to a policy committee, amend, disapprove, or no action.

Late-Breaking Issues

Resolutions to address late-breaking issues may be introduced by petition at the Annual Conference. To qualify, a petitioned resolution must be signed by 10 percent of the voting delegates and submitted at least 24 hours before the beginning of the Concluding General Assembly (Deadline: 3:15 p.m., Thursday, September 17, 2009). All qualified petitioned resolutions are forwarded to the General Assembly for consideration, regardless of the action recommended by the GRC.

2009 RESOLUTIONS CALENDAR AND DEADLINES

Before the Conference

Thursday, July 2

Deadline for submitting appointments to the General Resolutions Committee.

Friday, July 17, 5:00 p.m.

Deadline for submittals by regular mail; **OR**

Saturday, July 18, midnight

For submittals by e-mail or fax. Deadline for submitting resolutions to the League office.

Early August

Resolutions distributed to city officials and posted on the League website.

At the Conference

Wednesday, September 16, 9:00–10:30 a.m. (Thursday committees); **11:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m.** (Friday committees)
Policy committees meet to review resolutions and make recommendations to the General Resolutions Committee on resolutions assigned to each committee.

Thursday, September 17, 3:15 p.m.

Deadline to submit signatures to qualify a petitioned resolution.

Thursday, September 17, 4:00 p.m.

General Resolutions Committee meets to consider and make recommendations on resolutions.

Friday, September 18, 3:15 p.m.

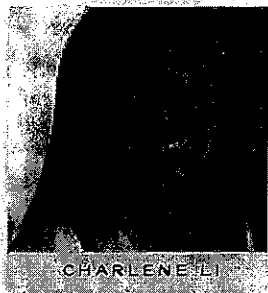
Consideration of resolutions by cities in the General Assembly at the Annual Business Meeting. (Voting Delegates must be registered at conference and must stay until conclusion of voting. They may register for Friday only.)

FEATURED KEYNOTE SPEAKER

TRANSFORMING CITIES USING SOCIAL MEDIA

Charlene Li, Author and Expert on Social Media and Marketing

Thursday, September 17



Charlene Li is an influential thought leader and guide on emerging technologies, with a specific focus on social technologies, interactive media, and marketing. She is the co-author of the business bestseller, *Groundswell: Winning In A World Transformed By Social Technologies*, published by Harvard Business Press in May 2008.

Charlene is one of the most frequently-quoted industry analysts and has appeared on *60 Minutes*, *The McNeil NewsHour*, *ABC News*, *CNN*, and *CNBC*. She is also frequently quoted by *The Wall Street Journal*, *The New York Times*, *USAToday*, *Reuters*, and *The Associated Press*.

Watch the conference website at www.cacities.org/ac for new session updates.

SESSIONS

PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS

Understanding Public Service Ethics Laws and Principles (AB 1234 Training)

This session satisfies the state ethics education requirements for local officials, which requires two hours, every two years.

Attendance at this session will be available as part of your conference registration or one-day Wednesday registration.

CITY COUNCIL AND DEPARTMENT HEADS – ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Leadership and Evaluation of the City Manager in a Turbulent Economy

The dramatic impacts resulting from the State's most significant recession in history dictates that elected and appointed city leaders function at their very best. City Councils must focus more on their leadership than ever before, including the City Manager and his/her performance. Too often, more energy is given to pointing fingers and placing blame. Best describe how the City Manager will assist and guide the Council in making the important strategic decisions regarding service levels, finances and communications with citizens.

The Role of the City Council in Litigation

Your city can find itself in complex, expensive, commercial-type litigation. Gone are the days of simple disputes resolved with local counsel at predictable expense. Understand the important role the City Council plays in the litigation process. Describe the scope of what must be considered in planning for any battle. Prepare the necessary resources, as well as the strategies and techniques for survival and success.



SAN MARCOS – NEW LEED CERTIFIED FIRE STATION

SESSIONS

Staying on Message in a Tough Media/Internet Environment
Whether your City is pursuing a high-visibility project, placing a local revenue measure on the ballot, or simply attempting to keep its constituents informed, scrutiny and interaction from traditional media sources (local print, electronic media) and "new media" (blogs, media internet posts, YouTube, social networking sites) all play a role in your success. Learn how to effectively stay on message in the face of skepticism from OpEd boards, negative coverage, and opponents who blog.

The General Plan Process – Important Tips for Elected Officials and City Managers

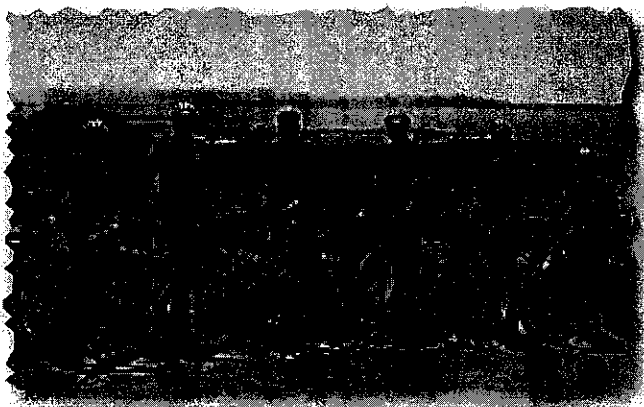
Elected officials and city managers need to be familiar with the basics of the General Plan update process. Specific topics to be covered will include how to set the tone for the update at the project kick-off, ensuring an effective and comprehensive public participation process, setting realistic budget and timeline expectations, and tips on interacting with neighboring jurisdictions.

Successfully Serving as a City Council Member and Non-profit Board Member

Are you a public official, but also a member of a local charity or non-profit organization? The potential conflict and ethical issues arising from your involvement may seem overly complex and esoteric, but they are critically important. Explore the legal and ethical issues posed by service contracts, funding decisions, compensation and cost reimbursement, and public records requests involving city and the non-profit organizations.

Reading People From the Outside In – Face Reading

Get to the truth by accurately reading any facial expression within 60 seconds. Detect a person's thinking style by looking at their eyebrows and spot the indicators of resistance and how to avoid them. Increase your persuasion abilities by knowing what response you'll get before approaching someone.



EL CERRITO – POLICE BIKE PATROL TRAINING

Maverick Thinking: How to Inject Innovation into Your Organization

Governments are in business... in the business of public service. Dramatic change is necessary to disrupt the status quo and reject the "we've always done it that way" approach. Characterize maverick thinking and inject passion and innovation into your city's mind-set. Ways to rethink, reconnect, reinvent and redesign your organizational strategy will be shared.

Innovations in Resident Civic Education and Engagement: From Citizen Academies to Sustained Community Engagement

Cities are experimenting with different ways to successfully inform residents about local civic and political issues and to create ongoing forums for broader civic participation. Efforts involve special "citizen academies," the use of online technology, new staff responsibilities to encourage public engagement, and the civic education of young people. Grasp a variety of practical and strategic approaches to effectively educate and involve a broad representation of city residents.

Redevelopment Hot Topics

Hear the latest information on the ERAF lawsuit, state budget issues and recently introduced legislation impacting redevelopment and its future potential for assisting cities in economic recovery and job creation.

Contractor Prequalification – One More Step Toward Shovel-Ready

Contractor prequalification can streamline the bidding process and provide cities with added assurance that the lowest bidder will also be a responsible bidder. When done correctly, prequalification is a great tool. When done incorrectly, prequalification can result in excessive bid protests and project delays. The presenters have worked together on a very successful prequalification effort and they've all seen the aftermath of unsuccessful attempts. During this session, the presenters will evaluate the pros and cons of the prequalification process and provide a "how to do it right" overview with an emphasis on real-life lessons learned.

Creating Child Friendly Cities

If we are to promote inclusive, child-friendly communities, human development must be the basis of planning and design. Emphasize how to create places that provide opportunities where children's behavioral, social and emotional needs are understood and met.

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Effectively Communicate Your OPEB Story

Congratulations! You've completed your OPEB valuation, started down ominous unfunded liabilities, covered your normal costs, and are working toward fully-funding your ARC. Now, how do you communicate to the public how you are managing your organization's retiree medical benefit costs? Explore effective communication techniques with experts who have successfully packaged and presented their message.

CITY FINANCES – DOING MORE WITH LESS

Top Ten Things You Must Know About City Finance

What do the tribulations of California state budget mean to cities? What are the latest legislative and court decisions affecting city finances? What are the important financial reporting and auditing issues that decision makers need to know about? What's on the horizon? Learn the hot city finance issues you need to know.

Involving the Public in Local Budget Decision-Making

Many cities are facing serious revenue shortfalls requiring difficult budget decisions and where there is little community consensus about what to do. Utilizing a new tool, gain specific insight into examples and suggest a range of strategies to effectively involve the public.

Employee Health Care

Incentives: Small Investments Yield Large Returns

Employee health incentives remain a top area of interest to city managers and executive staff. Explore how worksite wellness policies and employee health incentives can lower health care utilization, reduce absenteeism, and raise morale. Highlight policies and programs to adopt at low or no cost to encourage physical activity, stress reduction, and healthy eating.

California Libraries — Your City's Best Economic Stimulus Package

During this economic crisis, find out how your local library can be a partner in economic recovery. Share best practices for providing services that both serve the community and are also aligned with challenging budgets. Measure performance to realign and streamline services. Identify best practices in library retail redesign and gain examples of innovative programming to guide residents through tough times.

E-Services Opportunities and Pitfalls

Achieve superior customer service standards within a city. Budgets have been cut, hiring frozen, and customers are demanding more from government. How can cities improve their service while also reducing costs? Innovative experiences will be shared with real data from cities.

Strengthening Community Transportation with Limited Resources and a Personal Touch

Got shrinking budgets and a growing elderly population? City officials are recognizing that transit needs among the very old and the residents with disabilities are not fully met by public transit and ADA paratransit systems. How can specialized transit needs be addressed in an environment of shrinking resources? There are cost effective, user-friendly local transportation programs.

CITY FINANCES – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR REVENUE

Winning a Local Measure for the First Time

Need more money? Concerned about the economy? How will "pocketbook" politics affect voters? Learn how cities have won their measures during a recession. This "A to Z" session, designed for cities that haven't gone through the process, will cover basics of how to plan for a revenue measure from start to finish, including: different funding mechanisms available, and the pros/cons of General Purpose (50%+1) or Special Purpose (two-thirds requirement); best election timing; importance of message and opinion research; legally-permissible constituent education; political tactics, and more.

Developing a Film-Friendly City

Now more than ever, cities must generate jobs and increase wealth in their communities. By becoming a film-friendly city, you can generate millions of dollars in economic impact through job creation and production company spending. Reveal simple tools to attract the film industry to your area. Whether small rural town or a large urban city, film-friendly practices can make a difference in turning the tide on run-away film production.



WEST HOLLYWOOD — PUBLIC ART

SESSIONS

Travel and Tourism: Big Business for California Communities, Large and Small

Learn how cities can identify their assets, successfully brand and market their community. Listen to California experts describe how they brought new tourism revenue into their cities. Apply current trends to promote California's sustainable tourism. Learn sustainable best practices, and how this approach can benefit towns not only through tourism, but through healthier lifestyles and cleaner surroundings. Discuss tourism's role on the national, public policy level and how to turn cultural capital into dollars.

Rebuilding Commercial Districts: Turning Around the Downturn

The recession has left commercial and mixed-use districts of many cities with dark storefronts and empty commercial spaces. How do you return these areas to economic vibrancy? Strategies include: assessing what you have, potential revitalization strategies, marketing and design, public/private partnerships, and lessons learned from successful redevelopment.

Revitalization – Vacant and Dilapidated to Increased City Revenues

Hear from two small to mid-size communities that have hugely revitalized their downtown area, thus resulting in increased city revenues. Survey the paths taken in order to secure grant funding for these projects and the legal issues that can arise. Is your city the next to undergo such a beneficial change?



HIGHLAND ENVIRONMENTAL LEARNING CENTER

HOUSING ISSUES – HARD TIMES ARE HITTING HOME

Stop the Bleeding – Stitches vs. Band-aid

Delve into financial and real estate hot topics with the California economist and renowned real estate expert, Carole Rodoni. Evaluate the residential/commercial real estate and credit markets' effect on local economies. Are we at the bottom, what's the real cost and who will pay? Are stock and bond markets still volatile, steady or blooming again? Plan for your city's recovery mode.

Foreclosures Meltdown: Stem the Impacts in Our Communities

Cities need housing help. Topics include options for private new housing developments in trouble, restructuring agency homeownership programs, foreclosure counseling, refinancing, intervention with lenders, purchase of properties, rehabilitation, and close coordination with other public agencies, such as code enforcement. Discuss limits imposed by community redevelopment law in responding most effectively to concentrated foreclosures.

Managing Long Term Issues of Affordable Housing in California

Much focus is placed on the development of affordable housing by both developers and cities. Once the affordable housing is built, there are a myriad of complex long term issues that must be addressed: on-going compliance monitoring, physical habitability assessments, housing increment requirements, reporting, etc. Discuss legal requirements and best practices.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Innovative Crime Prevention as a Basic Building Block for Sustainable Communities

Local governments use redevelopment and other resources in creative ways to foster safer communities while alleviating blight, beautifying neighborhoods and building community assets. List elements of a successful crime prevention program. Demand strategies to develop cross-departmental collaboration. Walk through the steps from program formulation to implementation.

Graffiti Tracking, Prevention and Q.R.F. Eradication

Two cities; two award winning programs for dealing with graffiti. Delve into the science of tracking and prevention and then move to explore the benefits of expediting removal within 24 hours of the occurrence. These experts will expose real data to take back to your city.

SESSIONS

Gang Violence Reduction, Intervention, and Prevention Strategies

The National League of Cities Institute for Youth, Education and Families is working with California cities through the "California Gang Prevention Task Force" to reduce gang violence and improve outcomes for at-risk youth. Best practices, lessons learned, and strategies you can use will be reviewed.

Strategic Labor Negotiations During Turbulent Times

Labor negotiations are a challenging but necessary part of the employment process. How do you achieve your bargaining goals during a time when the paradigm is shifting? Learn creative and effective strategies for negotiating a sustainable compensation package.

Effective Emergency Management Preparation & Response for Cities

Share how various cities have prepared, managed and responded to actual, recent emergencies that threatened their communities. Better prepare for future incidents by developing better communications, evacuations, volunteer workers, public information and shared command responsibilities during multi-jurisdictional emergency incidents. Discuss important preemptive measures with the prospect of continued drought conditions and changing weather patterns that could adversely affect local communities.

Leave Early or Stay & Defend

To protect against loss of life and property, should local officials promote policies that make sure that residents get out immediately so fire services professionals can get to work? Or, should residents be taught to stay and defend their property during a wildfire? Hear the pros and cons of "Leave Early" and "Stay and Defend" to use in discussions within your own community.

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Comprehensive GHG Inventory and Climate Action Planning Process

What can your community apply from the Paso Robles GHG Inventory and Natural Resources Plan and San Carlos GHG Inventory and Climate Action Planning (CAP) process? Identify challenges that needed to be overcome and funding opportunities that were instrumental to the success of the programs. Regional coordination and partnerships serve a strong role in the process.

Clean Energy Projects for Cities

Clean energy projects can save energy, reduce costs, and lower carbon footprints. Several projects are already paying for themselves using energy savings. Riverside has saved over \$21 million dollars in 11 years and Hercules has just completed upgrades to city facilities including cogeneration, equipment, lighting and solar photovoltaic installations resulting in \$100,000 savings and a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions. City officials will share their financing mechanisms and performance guarantees.

Local Strategies for Creating Healthy Communities

There is a growing awareness that how neighborhoods are planned and built has a profound influence on public health. Leading practitioners from local government, planning, philanthropy and community organizations will provide strategies and tools cities to incorporate concerns related to health, physical activity and access to healthy foods to create healthier and more vibrant communities. This session follows the ILG Lunch Symposium and Keynote.

California's Cities and Water: Surviving California's Water Crisis

Three years of drought in California have brought about a full blown-water crisis. Learn about the crisis in the Bay-Delta, recent legal rulings lowering water supplies to state water project recipients, the State Blue Ribbon Panel's recommendations for a peripheral canal and the State Water Plan. Find how each of these pieces impacts your city and what you need to know about them.

Getting the Green to Go Green: Emerging Funding Options for Sustainability

Is your community anxious to embrace green initiatives and do its part in reducing the carbon footprint of your energy, transportation, housing and municipal operation? But, how do you get the funding to go green? Explore existing and newly emerging funding sources and tools available to cities in support of building sustainable communities—from AB811 energy retrofit programs, to green buildings, and beyond.

Sessions are subject to change. Go to www.cacities.org/AC for a session schedule by date/time.

CONNECT, LEARN, NETWORK

Caucus Networking Groups

The League is committed to promoting involvement for all, to reflect the diversity of California's cities. In addition, having groups within the League whose purpose is to connect city officials sharing similar characteristics with one another promotes the League's mission of facilitating the sharing of information and ideas among city officials and promoting responsive city government.

The League has recognized the following diversity groups: African-American Caucus, Asian-Pacific Islander Caucus, Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual & Transgender Local Officials Caucus, and Latino Caucus. Be sure to sign up to join one or more of the League's Caucuses. Each will host a networking event at the Annual Conference and are open to all attendees.

Municipal Departments

Functioning as professional societies, departments have been an integral and important part of the League, serving as a catalyst for educational and networking within specific fields. They play an essential role in forming League policy, assisting with conference program development and are represented on the board of directors. Department Business Meetings will be held Thursday, September 17. Be sure to bring representatives from your city to attend the conference and their respective department events.



Collaborations: Building Innovative and Efficient Cities – Expo Hall Speaker Theater Series

League Partner companies, along with city officials, will cover a range of topics related to public private partnerships. Learn ways that your city can be more efficient and proactive by leveraging partnerships with outside agencies and private firms. Five separate sessions will include:

Water

The Governor has declared a water emergency in California. Water rationing is already affecting many cities across the state. Learn ways that your community can become a more efficient user of this precious resource.

Energy Conservation

Presenters will discuss energy conservation ranging from LEED certified building, to solar projects, to developing programs to encourage energy efficiency programs in your cities.

City Attorney Department Legal Track

The City Attorneys Department program will include presentations on various current and recurring legal issues that impact cities. The League is a State Bar of California MCLE approved provider. Detailed information on the hours of credit will be in the final program. City attorney papers are available on an advance-order basis for \$55.00 for a printed copy or \$25.00 for an electronic version on a flash drive and will be at the conference in the CityBooks area. Papers ordered but not picked up at the conference will be shipped after the conference at an additional fee.

Regional Divisions

Regional Divisions function as the League's grassroots advocacy teams. They are a great way for city officials to get involved in activities that support the quality of life in their community. They provide the Board of Directors with necessary input and counsel from a diverse range of perspectives among a membership dispersed throughout the state. Divisions are staffed by League regional representatives and help division officers develop informational programs and organize grassroots activities to support League legislative or policy goals. Most divisions will host networking breakfasts on Friday, September 18. Contact your regional representative for more information and prices.

Infrastructure Investment

With Federal stimulus money flowing to state and local governments, cities are looking for ways to get their infrastructure projects funded. Find out more about the stimulus funds as well as alternative ways to move forward on infrastructure projects in your city.

Financing Energy Efficiencies

Many energy efficiency projects can help save cities money and even pay for themselves over time. League Partner presenters will share information about programs and services to help you fund energy efficiency projects in your community.

Saving Money through Contract Services

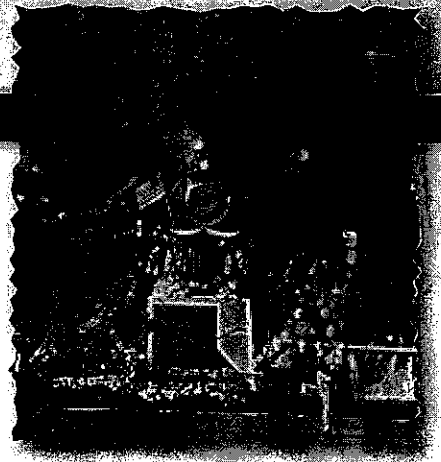
In these difficult economic times, cities are always looking to save money. Partner representatives will show the cost savings that can be had by contracting with outside firms and agencies to provide valuable services in your community.

Special thanks to Sempra Energy Utilities.

EXHIBITORS AS OF MARCH 31, 2009

NOTE: Those in bold are featured League Partners

- 3M Company, Traffic Safety Systems Division
 AquaTools, Inc.
 Academy of Model Aeronautics
Albert A. Webb Associates
 Ameresco, Inc.
 American Sports Centers
 Ameron Pole Products
 Asphalt Zipper, Inc.
 Association of California Water Agencies
Avery Associates
 Azavar Audit Solutions, Inc.
 BarTracks™
Best Best & Krieger LLP
 Beverly Prior Architects
 Bickmore Risk Services & Consulting
 Big League Dreams USA
 Bio Clean Environmental Services
 Blais & Associates, Inc.
 Bob Murray & Associates
 Boyles & Associates - Graffiti Consultants
 BSA Architects - Bull Stockwell Allen
 Bureau Veritas
Burke, Williams & Sorensen, LLP
 Buxton
 CA Association of Code Enforcement Officers
 California Building Officials (CALBO)
 California Communities/U.S. Communities
 CA Dept of General Services/CAL-Card
 CA Dept of Housing & Community Development
 California Dept of Water Resources
 California Engineering Company
 CA Integrated Waste Management Board
 California Joint Powers Insurance Authority
 California Library Association
 California Manufactured Housing Institute/CMHI
 California Product Stewardship Council
 California Rural Water
 CalPERS
 CalTRUST
Carl Warren & Company
Carollo Engineers/EMS
 CarteGraph
 Cascade Engineering
 Center for Effective Organizations
 Center for Homeland Defense and Security
CH2M HILL OMI
Charles Abbott Associates, Inc.
 Chevron Energy Solutions
 Civil Justice Association of California
 Clark Pacific
 Clean Energy
CleanStreet
 Comcate, Inc.
 Contract Sweeping Services, Inc.
 Credit Bureau Associates
 Crown Disposal Co., Inc.
 CRW Systems, Inc.
 CSAC Excess Insurance Authority
 CSE Insurance Group
 CSG Consultants, Inc.
 Danco Communities
 Dapeer, Rosenblit & Litvak, LLP
 Dave Bang Associates, Inc.
 David Taussig & Associates
De La Rosa & Co.
 Dekra-Lite
 Dept of General Services - Statewide Travel Program
 Digital Map Products
 Dolinka Group LLC
 eCivis
 ECO: Logic Engineering
 EMCOR Services Mesa Energy Systems
 eRecords/Webiplex
 Ernest Brown & Company
 Field Paoli Architects
 First Empire Securities
 Fortel Traffic Inc.
 Goodman Ball Inc.
 Goodwin Consulting Group, Inc.
 GovDelivery, Inc.
 Government Outreach
 Granicus, Inc.
 Graphic Solutions
 Grasshopper Company
 Green Leaf Mapping and Control Systems
Griffin Structures, Inc.
 GST
 Harrington Decorating Company
 Harris & Associates
HdL Companies
 Heavenly Greens
 Heery International, Inc.
 HF&H Consultants, LLC
Honeywell Building Solutions
 Howard Technology Solutions
 Hybrid Light, LC
HydroPoint Data Systems, Inc.
 Ice Energy
 ICMA Retirement Corporation
 Infer Public Sector
 ING
 Integrated Digital Technologies
 International City/County Management Association
 International Parking Design
Itron, Inc.
 Jan Raymond Legislative History & Intent
Johnson Controls, Inc.
 Jones & Mayer
Kaiser Permanente
Keenan & Associates
Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.
 KOA Corporation
 Koff & Associates, Inc.
Kronick Moskovitz Tiedemann & Girard, A Law Corp.
 KTS Network Solutions
 Lake Traffic Solutions
 Landslide Solutions, Inc.
 Laserfiche
 Lawson Software Inc.
 Library Systems & Services
Liebert Cassidy Whitmore
 LPA, Inc.
 LSA Associates, Inc.
 MacFarlane Costa Housing Partners
 Material and Contract Services
 Matrix Consulting Group
MAXIMUS
McDonough Holland & Allen PC
 MCE Corporation
 The Mercer Group, Inc.
 Meyers Nave
 MGT of America
 MIG, Inc.
 Milestone Products
 Monitor Integrated Healthcare, Inc.
 The Moote Group
 Moreland Personnel Services
 Multistack
 Municipal Information Systems Assn. of California
 MuniLink, League of California Cities
MuniServices, LLC
 National Community Renaissance
 NBS
 NECA/IBEW
 Next 10
 NGVAmerica
Norcal Waste Systems, Inc.
 North America Power Partners.com
 The Olson Company
 Omni-Means, Ltd.
 PACE
 Paragon Partners Ltd.
 Parkeon, Inc.
 PARS
 Pay Plus Solutions
PBS&J
 PERC (Pacific Environmental Resources Corp.)
 Petrochem Manufacturing, Inc.
 Philips Healthcare
Piper Jaffray & Co.
 PlanetBids, Inc.
 Platescan, Inc.
 Precision Inspection Company Inc.
 Public Financial Management, Inc.
 Q-STAR Technology
 Quad Knopf
 Qualtrics Labs, Inc.
 Questys Solutions - A VillageEdocs company
 Ralph Andersen & Associates
 RBF Consulting
RecycleBank
 RedFlex Traffic Systems
 Rehrg Pacific Company
Renne Sloan Holtzman & Sakai LLP
Public Law Group
Republic ITS
 Republic Services
 REVERSE 911®
 RJM Design Group, Inc.
 RKA Consulting Group
Rosenow Spevacek Group Inc.
 RRM Design Group
 Schaefer Systems International, Inc.
 SCS Engineers
 Sensys Networks
Siemens Building Technologies, Inc.
 Sierra Display, Inc.
 Silvercrest / Western Homes
 SmartCover by Hadronex
SolarCity
 Solid Terrain Modeling, Inc.
 South Coast Lighting & Design
 Southern CA Concrete Producers
Southern California Edison
 Southwest Water Company
 Sportsplex USA
Stone & Youngberg LLC
 Sun Valley Lighting
 Swinerton Management & Consulting
 SyTech Solutions
 T-Mobile USA Engineering
TASIN (Tribal Alliance of Sovereign Indian Nations)
 Thomas Whitelaw & Tyler
 Thunder Mountain Enterprises, Inc.
TNT Fireworks
 Toter Inc.
 Traffic & Parking Control Co., Inc. (TAPCO)
 Tramutola, LLC
 Transtech
 Tripp Lite
 U-Haul International
 Union Metal Corporation
 University of La Verne
 USA North
 Utility Cost Management LLC
 Valley Power Systems
 Vanir Construction Management, Inc.
 VenueTech Management Group, Inc.
Veolia Water
 Vision Internet
Walker Parking Consultants
Waste Management
 Wausau Tile Inc.
West Coast Arborists, Inc.
Willdan
 Winzler & Kelly
 WLC Architects, Inc.
 Wood Rodgers, Inc.



ROSEVILLE - 2009 ROSE PARADE

GENERAL INFORMATION

CitiPAC – Fourth Annual Leadership Gala Casino Night

In conjunction with the hospitality reception hosted by Willdan, CitiPAC will present its 4th Annual Leadership Gala Casino Night. Join the League Board of Directors for this exciting evening of entertainment.

CityBooks

In addition to its own publications, the League of California Cities makes available current titles which have a particular relevance to local officials. Watch for special VIP book signings. All attendees who register ONLINE only, by Tuesday, August 25, will receive a \$10.00 discount coupon to use during the conference.

First Timers Activities

Special arrangements to welcome first-time attendees include an orientation briefing on Wednesday, September 16, at 12:30 p.m. Be sure to check the First Time box during the online registration if you have never attended an Annual Conference.

Helen Putnam Award for Excellence

Helen Putnam Award for Excellence program recognizes outstanding cities that deliver the highest quality and level of service in the most effective manner possible. Visit the special displays by cities that won the 2009 prestigious awards program and learn what your city can adapt from their success.



The Institute for Local Government

The Institute for Local Government presents its 5th Annual Luncheon Symposium, Creating Healthy Neighborhoods for All, on Thursday, September 17. How city officials plan, design and build their communities has a tremendous impact on the health and well-being of residents. Robert Ogilvie, Program Director of Planning for Healthy Places, will present a dynamic perspective on the ways that cities can use planning, economic development, redevelopment and other tools to create healthier neighborhoods for all their residents. Advance reservations are \$45.00 each. Space is limited and tickets are available through the advanced registration process. For updated information for this event, please visit www.ca-ilg.org. ILG is the nonprofit research affiliate of the League of California Cities and the California State Association of Counties.



Mayors and Council Members Academy

Mayors and Council Members Academy is a training certificate program and consists of specific educational programs and community activities that enhance knowledge and skills needed to be more effective in office. The levels of the Academy are Leadership, Advanced Leadership, and Leadership in Action. You may participate in all three levels at the same time and it functions on the honor system. For more information on the academy, please email bsanders@cacities.org.

Student Program

College students studying local government and who are not city employees may apply to volunteer at the conference to receive a reduced (\$100) or no cost registration, if their primary academic advisor makes such a request in writing to the League of California Cities Annual Conference Registration. Limited volunteer opportunities are available. The 2009 Annual Conference will not offer a high school youth program.



MOUNTAIN VIEW — LIBRARY PROGRAM

REGISTRATION

The value of your registration includes:

- + Electronic or web access to all program materials
- + Admission to all conference program sessions and the Expo
- + One continental breakfast
- + Two full lunches with the Exhibitors in the Expo hall
- + The San Jose Host City and multiple League Caucus receptions

OPTION ONE (credit card)

Register online at www.cacities.org/AC for immediate access to conference confirmation and a link to hotel reservations.

In addition, registrations made only online before August 25, will include a \$10.00 coupon to be used at CityBooks during the conference.

OPTION TWO (check)

Full payment must accompany the registration form. Please obtain and print the check registration form at www.cacities.org/ac. Registrations will not be processed until payment in full is received. Fax registrations will not be accepted. Please make checks payable to the League of California Cities. The League is unable to accept purchase orders. After Tuesday, August 25, you must register onsite.

Full Conference

City Officials and City Staff	\$500.00
Public Officials	\$550.00
Partners/Exhibitors/Others	\$650.00

Note: Conference registration is required to attend the Annual Conference business meeting and/or to be a Voting Delegate.

One-Day Only Registration

(Select Wednesday, Thursday or Friday)

City Officials and City Staff	\$250.00
Public Officials	\$300.00
Partners/Exhibitors/Others	\$350.00

Optional Registration Add-ons (non-refundable)

Caucus Memberships	\$100/year per Caucus
ILG Luncheon	\$45.00
Spouse or Guest	\$100.00
City Attorney papers (print)	\$55.00
City Attorney papers (flash drive)	\$25.00
City Attorney papers (PDF)	\$Free

**If papers are not picked up at the conference, \$10.00 shipping/handling will be charged.*

Spouse/Guest Registration

The spouse/guest registration fee is restricted to persons who are not city or public officials, are not related to any Partner or Exhibiting company, and would have no professional reason to attend the conference. The fee includes admission to conference sessions, the expo, meals and receptions. There is no refund for the cancellation of a spouse/guest registration.

Onsite Badge Pick Up

Each delegate who has registered in advance must pick up an official 2009 Annual Conference badge at the registration desk in the San Jose Convention Center. Registration will open on Wednesday, September 16 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Thursday September 17 from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Friday, September 18 from 7:30 a.m. to Noon. If you have questions, please contact the League Conference Registration Office at (916) 658-8291.

Refund Policy

Advance registrants unable to attend this meeting will receive a refund of the registration fee, less a \$50 processing charge, only by submitting a written request to the League of California Cities, Conference Registration Office, 1400 K Street, Suite 400, Sacramento, CA 95814, fax (916) 658-8220, or email klofte@cacities.org. **Requests for refunds must be received by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, September 2. No refunds will be provided after this date.**



YUCCA VALLEY - SNOW

TRAVEL INFORMATION



San Jose McEnery Convention Center

150 West San Carlos Street

The convention Center has a parking garage available with 500 spaces for public event use.

- + Every 1 Hour—\$3
- + 6 Hours maximum per day—\$18
- + Access is allowed 24 hrs, 7 days a week

511 is a Bay Area travel guide. Dial 511—it's free.



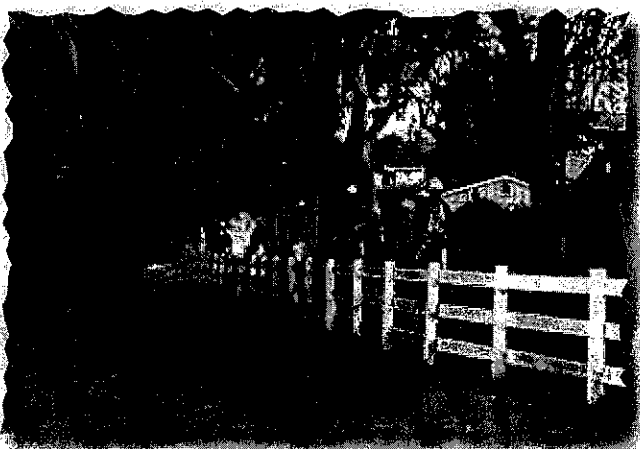
SAN JOSE — SKYLINE



Mineta San Jose International Airport

Total estimated travel time to the convention center is 8 minutes and 4.32 miles.

Travel by taxi and shuttle services from the airport. Estimated fare from the Mineta San Jose Airport to downtown is \$14–\$20.



ROLLING HILLS ESTATES — ANNUAL MAYOR'S BREAKFAST RIDE



Public Transportation

The Altamont Commuter Express (ACE Rail) is a commuter train that runs between Stockton and San Jose California. Visit www.acerail.com for more information

VTA (Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority) is a Bus and light rail service to the San Jose metropolitan area of California.

The VTA also offers **DASH**, a free Downtown Area Shuttle connecting between the San Jose Diridon Caltrain Station with VTA Light Rail stations, and downtown office buildings. DASH shuttles run about every 10 minutes from 6:17 am to 7:13 pm Monday through Friday, except on major holidays. All shuttles are lift-equipped and accessible to people with disabilities. For schedules, route maps, and fare information for bus and light rail visit www.vta.org.

Caltrain runs between San Francisco and San Jose with weekday commute-hour service to Gilroy. Key destinations along the Caltrain line include the San Francisco and San Jose international airports. For more information visit www.caltrain.com.

BART rail service connects San Francisco with the East Bay. Train schedules, ticket information, Bay Area maps, and transit news. Visit www.bart.gov for more information.



WALNUT CREEK — NEW DOWNTOWN LIBRARY

HOTEL INFORMATION AND RESERVATION PROCEDURES

The League of California Cities has contracted reduced room rates at the following properties for registered attendees at the 2009 Annual Conference. Please be sure to use the properties listed below to stay within the League's housing room block, while space is still available. Space will fill quickly in San Jose, please register early and online. Phone reservations will not be available for League conference hotels. The advanced housing reservation/rate deadline is Tuesday, August 25.

SAN JOSE CONFERENCE HOTELS:

1. Fairmont San Jose	170 South Market Street	\$179
2. San Jose Marriott	301 South Market Street	\$175
3. Hilton San Jose	300 Almaden Boulevard	\$149
4. Sainte Claire	302 South Market Street	\$155
5. Hotel Montgomery	211 South First Street	\$175

**Hotel tax and fees 10.07% and \$2.00 per night. Rates include a small surcharge to help offset facilities costs. Additional parking fees daily.*

STEP ONE: Register for the conference

All attendees must register for the conference first, directly with the League of California Cities, online at www.cacities.org/ac or send check payment by mail.

STEP TWO: Secure your hotel

OPTION A

The online conference registration link will take you directly to online Housing Reservations for each property currently available on your selected dates, managed by the San Jose Housing Bureau. For immediate hotel reservations and confirmation, please book your required rooming needs online after registering. A two-night minimum stay is required at conference hotels.

OPTION B

After your mailed registration for the conference is received and processed, you will be sent a registration confirmation email with an online link (URL) for hotel reservations and/or a housing request form. If you select to pay the hotel deposit by check, please fill out the housing request form and mail to the San Jose Housing Bureau with check payment.

STEP THREE: Hotel Changes or Hotel Cancellations

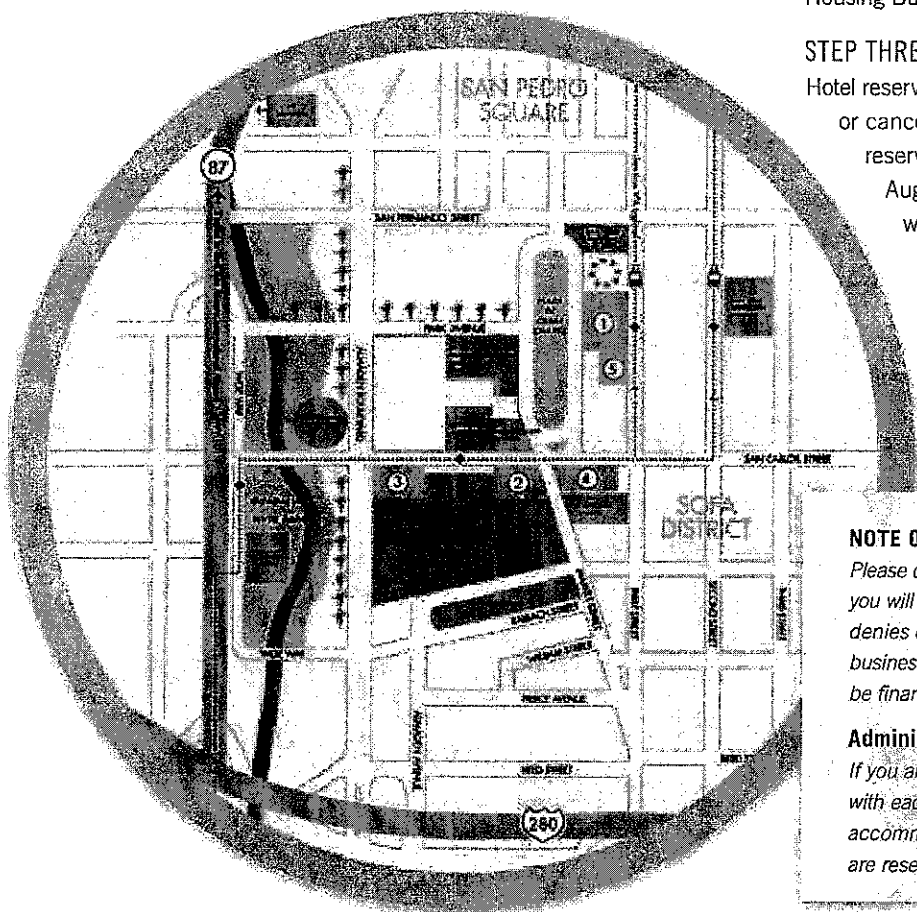
Hotel reservation changes, date modifications, early check-outs, or cancellations must be done online via passkey reservations by each individual, prior to August 25. After August 31, hotel cancellations must be made directly with each hotel and will incur a financial penalty and minimum one-night room charge.

NOTE OF CAUTION

Please do not make a hotel reservation unless you are sure that you will use it. Making a reservation to protect a future decision denies other attendees their room choice, costs the hotel business, and is costly for the League. Your city or company will be financially responsible for all cancellation/attrition fees.

Administration Staff

If you are making hotel reservations for others, please confirm with each individual, in advance, that they actually need hotel accommodations and intend to use them on the dates you are reserving.



July 24, 2009

TO: Mayors, City Managers and City Clerks
League Board of Directors
General Resolutions Committee Members
Members, League Policy Committees to Which Resolutions Are Referred

RE: Annual Conference Resolutions Packet
Notice of League Annual Meeting

Enclosed please find the 2009 Annual Conference Resolutions Packet.

Annual Conference in San Jose. This year's League Annual Conference will be held September 16-18 at the San Jose Convention Center. The conference announcement has previously been sent to all cities and we hope that you and your colleagues will be able to join us. More information about the conference is available on the League's Web site at www.cacities.org/ac. We look forward to welcoming city officials to the conference.

Annual Business Meeting - Friday, September 18, 3:15 p.m. The League's Annual Business Meeting will be held at the San Jose Convention Center, Exhibit Hall 1

Resolutions Packet. At the Annual Conference, the League will consider the two resolutions introduced by the deadline — Friday, July 17, 2009, 5 p.m., for submittals by regular mail, or Saturday, July 18, midnight, for submittals by e-mail or fax. These resolutions are included in this packet. We request that you distribute this packet to your city council.

We encourage each city council to consider the resolutions and to determine a city position so that your voting delegate can represent your city's position on each resolution. A copy of the resolutions packet is posted on the League's Web site for your convenience: www.cacities.org/resolutions.

This resolutions packet contains additional information related to consideration of the resolutions at the Annual Conference. This includes the date, time and location of the meetings at which resolutions will be considered.

Voting Delegates. Each city council is encouraged to designate a voting delegate and two alternates to represent their city at the Annual Business Meeting. A letter asking city councils to designate their voting delegate and two alternates has already been sent to each city. Copies of the letter, voting delegate form, and additional information are also available at: www.cacities.org/resolutions.

Please Bring This Packet to the Annual Conference
September 16-18 — San Jose

I. INFORMATION AND PROCEDURES

RESOLUTIONS CONTAINED IN THIS PACKET: This year, two resolutions have been introduced for consideration by the Annual Conference and referred to the League policy committees. The League bylaws provide that resolutions shall be referred by the president to an appropriate policy committee for review and recommendation. Resolutions with committee recommendations shall then be considered by the General Resolutions Committee at the Annual Conference.

POLICY COMMITTEES: Two policy committees will meet at the Annual Conference to consider and take action on resolutions referred to them. They are: Public Safety and Revenue and Taxation. Both committees will meet at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, September 16, 2009 at the Marriott San Jose, located next to the San Jose Convention Center. Please see page iii for the policy committee meeting schedule. The sponsors of the resolutions have been notified of the time and location of the meetings.

In addition, one policy committee, Employee Relations, will meet at the Annual Conference even though a resolution was not referred to them.

GENERAL RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE: This committee will meet at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 17, at the Marriott San Jose, Salon IV - VI, to consider the reports of the two policy committees regarding the two resolutions. This committee includes one representative from each of the League's regional divisions, functional departments, standing policy committees, as well as other individuals.

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING/GENERAL ASSEMBLY: This meeting will be held at 3:15 p.m. on Friday, September 18, at the San Jose Convention Center, Exhibit Hall 1.

PETITIONED RESOLUTIONS: For those issues that develop after the normal 60-day deadline, a resolution may be introduced at the Annual Conference with a petition signed by designated voting delegates of 10 percent of all member cities (48 valid signatures required) and presented to the Voting Delegates Desk at least 24 hours prior to the time set for convening the Annual Business Session of the General Assembly. This year, that deadline is 3:15 p.m., Thursday, September 17. If the petitioned resolution is substantially similar in substance to a resolution already under consideration, the petitioned resolution may be disqualified by the General Resolutions Committee.

Resolutions can be viewed on the League's Web site: www.cacities.org/resolutions.

Any questions concerning the resolutions procedure may be directed to Linda Welch Hicks at the League office: lhicks@cacities.org or (916) 658-8224.

II. GUIDELINES FOR ANNUAL CONFERENCE RESOLUTIONS

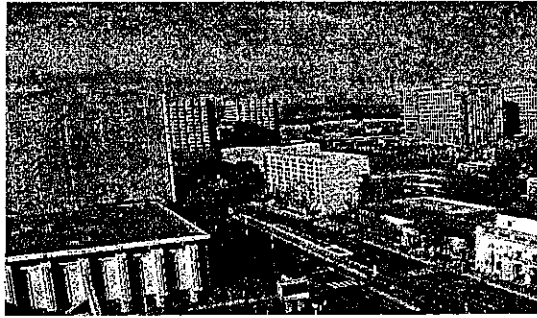
Policy development is a vital and ongoing process within the League. The principal means for deciding policy on the important issues facing cities and the League is through the League's eight standing policy committees and the board of directors. The process allows for timely consideration of issues in a changing environment and assures city officials the opportunity to both initiate and influence policy decisions.

Annual conference resolutions constitute an additional way to develop League policy. Resolutions should adhere to the following criteria.

Guidelines for Annual Conference Resolutions

1. Only issues that have a direct bearing on municipal affairs should be considered or adopted at the Annual Conference.
2. The issue is not of a purely local or regional concern.
3. The recommended policy should not simply restate existing League policy.
4. The resolution should be directed at achieving one of the following objectives:
 - (a) Focus public or media attention on an issue of major importance to cities.
 - (b) Establish a new direction for League policy by establishing general principals around which more detailed policies may be developed by policy committees and the Board of Directors.
 - (c) Consider important issues not adequately addressed by the policy committees and Board of Directors.
 - (d) Amend the League bylaws (requires 2/3 vote at General Assembly).

III.
LOCATION OF MEETINGS



Policy Committee Meetings
Wednesday, September 16, 2009
Marriott San Jose
301 South Market Street, San Jose, CA 95113 – (408) 280-1300
(Located next to the San Jose Convention Center)

**POLICY COMMITTEES MEETING AT ANNUAL CONFERENCE TO
DISCUSS AN ANNUAL CONFERENCE RESOLUTION ***

11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

* Public Safety – Salon IV

* Revenue and Taxation – Salon III

Note: Employee Relations will also meet,
but they have no resolution to consider – Salon I

Note: These committees will NOT meet at the Annual Conference:
Administrative Services; Community Services; Environmental Quality;
Housing, Community & Economic Development; and
Transportation, Communication & Public Works



General Resolutions Committee
Thursday, September 17, 2009, 4:00 p.m.
Marriott San Jose, Salon IV-VI
301 South Market Street, San Jose, CA 95113 – (408) 280-1300
(Located next to the San Jose Convention Center)



Annual Business Meeting and General Assembly
Friday, September 18, 2009, 3:15 p.m.
San Jose McEnery Convention Center, Exhibit Hall 1
150 West San Carlos Street, San Jose, CA 95113 – (408) 295-9600

**IV.
KEY TO ACTIONS TAKEN ON RESOLUTIONS**

Resolutions have been grouped by policy committees to which they have been assigned.

Number	Key Word Index	Reviewing Body Action		
		1	2	3

1 - Policy Committee Recommendation
to General Resolutions Committee
2 - General Resolutions Committee
3 - General Assembly

PUBLIC SAFETY POLICY COMMITTEE

		1	2	3
1	Social Host Liability			

REVENUE AND TAXATION POLICY COMMITTEE

		1	2	3
2	Divesting From Banks/Financial Institutions That Fail To Cooperate With Foreclosure Prevention Efforts			

Please note: One policy committee, Employee Relations, without a resolution will still meet. Notification will be mailed to all committee members. Information will also be posted on each committee's page on the League Web site: www.cacities.org.

RESOLUTIONS INITIATED BY PETITION AT THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

		General Resolutions Committee Recommendation	General Assembly Action

KEY TO ACTIONS TAKEN ON RESOLUTIONS *(Continued)*

KEY TO REVIEWING BODIES

1. Policy Committee
2. General Resolutions Committee
3. General Assembly

KEY TO ACTIONS TAKEN

- A - Approve
- D - Disapprove
- N - No Action
- R - Refer to appropriate policy committee for study

Action Footnotes

* Subject matter covered in another resolution

** Existing League policy

*** Local authority presently exists

- a - Amend
- Aa - Approve as amended
- Aaa - Approve with additional amendment(s)
- Ra - Amend and refer as amended to appropriate policy committee for study
- Raa - Additional amendments and refer
- Da - Amend (for clarity or brevity) and Disapprove
- Na - Amend (for clarity or brevity) and take No Action
- W - Withdrawn by Sponsor

Procedural Note: Resolutions that are approved by the General Resolutions Committee, as well as all qualified petitioned resolutions, are reported to the floor of the General Assembly. In addition, League policy provides the following procedure for resolutions approved by League policy committees but *not* approved by the General Resolutions Committee:

Resolutions initially recommended for approval and adoption by all the League policy committees to which the resolution is assigned, but subsequently recommended for disapproval, referral or no action by the General Resolutions Committee, shall then be placed on a consent agenda for consideration by the General Assembly. The consent agenda shall include a brief description of the basis for the recommendations by both the policy committee(s) and General Resolutions Committee, as well as the recommended action by each. Any voting delegate may make a motion to pull a resolution from the consent agenda in order to request the opportunity to fully debate the resolution. If, upon a majority vote of the General Assembly, the request for debate is approved, the General Assembly shall have the opportunity to debate and subsequently vote on the resolution.

V.
2009 ANNUAL CONFERENCE RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION REFERRED TO PUBLIC SAFETY POLICY COMMITTEE

1. RESOLUTION RELATING TO SOCIAL HOST LIABILITY

Source: City of Elk Grove
Referred to: Public Safety Policy Committee
Recommendation to General Resolutions Committee:

WHEREAS, underage persons often obtain alcoholic beverages at gatherings held at private residences or at rented residential and commercial premises that are under the control of a person who knows or should know of the underage service and/or consumption of alcohol; and

WHEREAS, loud or unruly parties on private property where alcoholic beverages are served to, or consumed by an underage person, are harmful to the underage person themselves and are a threat to public health, safety, quiet enjoyment of residential property and general welfare, and constitute a public nuisance; and

WHEREAS, persons responsible for the occurrence of loud or unruly parties on private property over which they have possession or control have a duty to ensure that alcoholic beverages are not served to, or consumed by underage persons; and

WHEREAS, adults who provide alcohol to adolescents explicitly indicate an approval of underage alcohol use; and

WHEREAS, law enforcement, fire, or other emergency responders repeatedly respond to underage drinking parties, resulting in a disproportionate expenditure of public safety resources on these parties, delaying police responses to other emergency calls throughout the community; and

WHEREAS, law enforcement has inadequate enforcement authority and resources to respond to underage drinking on private property; and

WHEREAS, cities and counties require a variety of enforcement strategies to abate underage drinking parties; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the General Assembly of the League of California Cities, assembled in Annual Conference in San Jose, September 18, 2009, that the League support policies that hold social hosts responsible for underage drinking that occurs on property under their possession, control, or authority; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the League also oppose policies that make it easy for those who are underage to access alcohol through adults, and on private property.

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Background Information on Resolution No. 1

Source: City of Elk Grove

Title: Resolution Relating to Social Host Liability

Background:

The City of Elk Grove is located just south of the state capital of Sacramento. According to the 2007 U.S. Census, the City's population was estimated at 140,000. After incorporating in July of 2000, for six years the City contracted with the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department for police services; however in 2006, the City formed its own police department and began serving this rapidly growing community. Since the Department's inception, the city has continued to grow in size, leading to an increasing need for additional officers to patrol the streets, investigate crimes, and respond to calls for service.

Between January 1, 2007 and December 31, 2008, the Elk Grove Police Department (EGPD) responded to more than 2,000 reports of loud and unruly parties, noise and/or music at private residences. The majority of these calls involved persons under the age of 21 who were consuming alcohol. This is a dangerous combination not only for those participating and in attendance, but also for surrounding neighbors, the community, and law enforcement personnel.

Underage drinking and unruly parties lead to an array of problems such as; alcohol related traffic accidents, gang activity, fights, noise disturbances, sexual assault, property damage, and other forms of crime. When law enforcement personnel responds to gatherings involving the consumption of alcohol by minors, it takes away valuable resources from other service calls in the community, thereby placing the community at an increased risk. Additionally, adults who give alcohol to minors are explicitly approving underage drinking while showing a complete disregard for the law, the well-being of minors, and the community as a whole.

Currently, law enforcement is somewhat limited in its authority to control what occurs on private property. California state law prohibits furnishing alcoholic beverages to underage persons; however, the law does not address the consequences when a minor possesses or consumes alcohol while on private property, or when such alcohol consumption is done with the consent of an adult, parent, relative, or legal guardian.

When law enforcement officers receive a complaint regarding an unruly party or event on private property where underage drinking is occurring; it is extremely difficult to take any action that results in the responsible individual or host being held accountable. Furthermore, law enforcement, fire and emergency response services are not currently reimbursed for the costs associated with responding to a location where minors obtain, possess, and consume alcoholic beverages.

The goal of Social Host Liability is: 1) to protect public health, safety and general welfare; 2) provide a legal means of prohibiting the service to and consumption of alcoholic beverages by minors on private property; and 3) to reduce the costs of providing law enforcement, fire, and other emergency response services to premises where alcoholic beverages are being served to or consumed by minors.

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RESOLUTION REFERRED TO REVENUE AND TAXATION POLICY COMMITTEE

2. RESOLUTION URGING CITY GOVERNMENTS AND OTHERS TO DIVEST FROM BANKS THAT FAIL TO COOPERATE WITH FORECLOSURE PREVENTION EFFORTS

Source: Richard Alarcón, Council Member, Los Angeles

Referred to: Revenue and Taxation Policy Committee

Recommendation to General Resolutions Committee:

WHEREAS, there is currently a financial crisis in our nation, where people are losing their jobs and homes and no longer have the financial security that was once possible and which contributed to the growing prosperity of our economy; and

WHEREAS, this crisis is affecting communities at all levels, with working class communities the most severely affected, as they were often explicitly targeted and preyed upon by lenders and brokers offering unconventional loans and financing options; and

WHEREAS, as the local, state, and federal governments work on resolving the current foreclosure crisis, one of the key factors that must be addressed is the modification of loans that are "upside-down," and which need to be modified to the current market value of the home, not the original loan amount, so that homeowners facing foreclosure receive true relief from the burden of the loans they were unjustly pushed into by aggressive lenders and brokers; and

WHEREAS, currently, there is active pressure on financial institutions to modify loans for homeowners susceptible to foreclosure by reducing the principal to the current market value and many financial institutions are not inclined to do this, particularly with no financial incentive; and

WHEREAS, as with local government, financial institutions have an obligation in assisting their customers to preserve the American Dream; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the General Assembly of the League of California Cities, assembled in the Annual Conference in San Jose, September 18, 2009, that the League support the City of Los Angeles, and other member cities, to explore the potential divestiture of all deposits in banking and other financial institutions that fail to cooperate with foreclosure prevention efforts that include temporary moratoriums on foreclosures, renegotiation of mortgage principles to reflect current values, and good faith negotiations with mortgagees; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the League of California Cities also support City retirement programs and other similar organizations which adopt a similar divestiture policy; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the League of California Cities request the National League of Cities to consider adoption of a similar resolution.

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Background Information on Resolution No. 2

Source: Richard Alarcón, Council Member, Los Angeles
Title: Resolution Relating to City Governments And Others To Divest From Banks That Fail To Cooperate With Foreclosure Prevention Efforts

Background:

The foreclosure crisis in America today is profound. In 2008, about 1 million homes were foreclosed. With rising unemployment, this trend is only projected to continue. While foreclosure is devastating to homeowners, it also harms property values, neighborhood safety and government revenue. Local governments are hit especially hard by the foreclosure crisis due to the decrease in property taxes collected, as well as costs related to foreclosures – particularly for safety. A single foreclosure costs up to \$34,000 for local government agencies, through inspections, court actions, police and fire department efforts, potential demolition, unpaid water and sewage, and trash removal. Foreclosures eat up money that could have been available for housing, transportation, parks and recreation, public safety, etc.

It is therefore incumbent on cities to take action to protect their communities and their finances. Cities must step in to force financial institutions to be responsible neighbors and protect the property from vandalism, return it to the market quickly, and find a buyer. Doing this remediation work is difficult but many cities have already been at work on solutions for the last two years. Unfortunately, the key “partner” in this work – the financial institutions holding the property title – have in many cases not upheld their side of the bargain. So what can cities do when the title holding bank will not cooperate? Cities can and should use their financial clout and divest their funds from financial institutions which do not cooperate with foreclosure prevention and remediation efforts, thus providing pressure for these groups to change their policies.

Earlier this year Councilmember Alarcón introduced a motion in the City of Los Angeles to do just that. The idea came from his effort in 1998 to assist Holocaust victims and their heirs in seeking restitution from the Swiss government and banks for money and assets confiscated during WWII. After the Councilmember introduced a motion to have the City of Los Angeles divest all funds from Swiss banks, negotiations involving the banks and the World Jewish Congress began and ultimately resulted in a settlement of \$1.25 billion later that year. If it worked then, it can work now.

It is Councilmember Alarcón’s belief that if cities all around California were to take action and begin the process towards divestment, it would result in banks and other financial institutions, which do not currently work with foreclosure prevention efforts, to reverse their policies. This could help thousands of families throughout California and put us back on track to a prosperous economy.

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[NOTE: No resolutions were assigned to the following policy committees: Administrative Services; Community Services; Employee Relations; Environmental Quality; Housing, Community & Economic Development; and Transportation, Communication & Public Works.]

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RESOLUTION NO. 09-
RESOLUTION DESIGNATING A VOTING DELEGATE AND ALTERNATES TO THE
LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES ANNUAL CONFERENCE

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUBURN DOES HEREBY RESOLVE:
That the City Council of the City of Auburn does hereby designate
_____ as the voting delegate to the League of California Cities
Annual Conference and _____ and _____ as alternate
voting delegates.

DATED: August 10, 2009

J. M. Holmes, Mayor

ATTEST:

Joseph G. R. Labrie, City Clerk

I, Joseph G. R. Labrie, City Clerk of the City of Auburn, hereby certify
that the foregoing resolution was duly passed at a regular meeting of the City
Council of the City of Auburn held on the 10th day of August 2009 by the
following vote on roll call:

Ayes:
Noes:
Absent:

Joseph G. R. Labrie, City Clerk